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Applicant : Marinus Frans Kaashoek et al. Art Unit : 2131
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Mail Stop Amendment
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REPLY TO ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

In reply to the Office Action of September 26, 2005, Applicant submits the following remarks.

REMARKS

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 3, 5-6, 9, 12-13, 18-19, and 21 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Messmer in view of Malan et al (6,944,673). The Examiner also rejected claims 7-8, 14-16, 24 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Messmer in view of Hill et al.

However the examiner did not raise any rejection specific to claim 4 nor indicated any status regarding claim 4.

Claims 1, 3, 5-6, 9, 12-13, 18-19, and 21

These claims are allowable over Messmer taken with Malan.

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